OUR FUTURE IS SCIENCE (OFIS) is a virtual program that develops leaders who will make a greater difference in the world by understanding connections between STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, the Arts, and Math) and social justice. High-schoolers are paired with STEAM graduate students over an academic year-long journey of mentorship, scientific learning, and career exploration.

The Experience

- Explore links between science and social justice to forge a path toward change and equity.
- Work closely with mentors, scientists, and activists to demonstrate STEAM-social justice connections.
- Learn about diverse STEAM careers, virtually tour lab/field sites, and network with leaders.
- Explore topics such as artificial intelligence and physics to inform climate change adaptation, healthcare and food insecurity in underserved communities, and more.

Who Should Apply?

10th-12th graders 14-17 years old attending a U.S. high school are eligible to apply. Other criteria:

- Interests in STEAM disciplines and social justice.
- Ready to embrace new ways of thinking.
- Motivated to enact change around societal issues.
- Able to commit ~3 hours per week for individual and group activities, as well as designing a capstone project.

We especially encourage students who identify as an BIPOC (Black, Indigenous, People of Color), are of an “underrepresented” identity, belong to a historically marginalized or underserved group, are of a low-income background, and/or are eligible for free or reduced school lunch, to apply.

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The Benefits

- Enhance college applications.
- Work closely with a mentorship team.
- Design a professional-level capstone project with measurable impacts and present it to the public.
- Improve public speaking, critical thinking, presentation, and collaboration skills
- Receive a $1,000 honorarium.

Important Dates

- Apply by: September 15, 2023
- Duration: Oct. 2023 - May. 2024

I feel prepared to advocate for myself in professional settings and show initiative in project development going forward.

— Mya, OFIS Mentee

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